



Nationaal Instituut voor Voedselveiligheid Suriname  
National Institute for Food Safety Suriname

## STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT SESSION

### Strategic Direction of the National Institute on Food Safety (NIVS)

#### *Policy Underpinning the Modernization of Suriname's Food Safety Legislation*

LVV – 17 January 2023 @18:00 – SAIS Room

#### Background

On December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020, an Act of the National Assembly of Suriname was unanimously adopted promulgating the creation of the National Food Safety Institute of Suriname (NIVS) as the primary food safety regulator of Suriname (*Act signed into law on 28 January 2021 by the President of Republic of Suriname and published on 9<sup>th</sup> February 2021 in the S.B.2021 n° 9*)

As the primary food safety regulator, assembling key food regulatory authorities, NIVS aims to address several limitations observed over time with respect to performance of the food control system, in particular with the operation of and coordination between Surinamese food competent authorities.

Under the high Patronage of **His Excellency Minister P. Sewdien, Minister of Agriculture, Animal Husbandry and Fisheries (LVV)**, and **under the leadership of its Board of Trustees**, NIVS is organizing a stakeholder engagement session with the aim to:

- ❖ Introduce the organization and its objectives,
- ❖ Introduce a proposed strategic direction for the organization through the presentation of a draft 3-year strategic plan,
- ❖ Introduce the proposed policy that would underpin the modernization of Suriname's Food Safety Legislation,

This session will be held from 18:00 – 21:00 on 17 January 2023 at LVV – SAIS Room

## PROPOSED AGENDA

17 January 2022 from 18:00 – 21:00

SAIS Room– Ministry of Agriculture, Animal Husbandry and Fisheries (LVV)

**17:30 – 18:00 Registration and Refreshments**

**18:00 – 18:10 Welcoming Remarks**

*Ms. Juliette Colli, A/ CEO NIVS*

*Ms. Parveen Amritpersad, Chair of the Board of Trustees – NIVS*

**18:10 – 18:30 Opening Remarks**

*His Excellency, Minister P. Sewdien, Minister of Agriculture, Animal Husbandry and Fisheries (LVV)*

**18:30 – 18:40 Introduction of NIVS as the Primary Food Safety Regulator, in Suriname**

*Ms. Juliette Colli, A/ CEO NIVS*

*Ms. Parveen Amritpersad, Chair of the Board of Trustees – NIVS*

**18:40 – 19:00 Introduction of the Strategic Plan NIVS 2023-2026**

*Prof. Samuel Godefroy, Senior Food Safety and Food Regulatory Advisor, Laval University, Canada*

**19:00 – 19:30 Facilitated Discussions and Input from Stakeholders**

**19:30 – 20:00 Introduction of the Policy Underpinning the Modernization of Suriname’s Food Safety Legislation**

*Prof. Samuel Godefroy, Senior Food Safety and Food Regulatory Advisor, Laval University, Canada*

**20:00 – 20:30 Facilitated Discussions**

**20:30 – 21:00 Wrap-up of Discussions / Summary and Next Steps**

*Ms. Juliette Colli, A/ CEO NIVS*

*Ms. Parveen Amritpersad, Chair of the Board of Trustees – NIVS*